#### THE CIVIL SERVICE

TO BE UNDER FIRE IN THE HOUSE FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS

The Matter to Come Up on Item for Expenses of the Commission in the Executive Appropriation Bill-The Debate Begun-Estimates of Departments \$27,000-000 Greater Than Current Appropriations-Both Houses Adjourn in Respect to Memory of Mrs. McKinley

SENATE.

Washington, December 14.-The senate was in session just fifteen minutes today, adjournment being taken until tomorrow out of respect to President McKinley who is today in attendance upon the funeral of his mother. The motion to adjourn was made by Senator Hoar. "All senators." said he, "are aware of the great calamnity that has overtaken the chief magistrate of the nation. He is today in attendance upon the funeral of his mother. Out of respect to him and as an expression of our sympathy for him in his affliction, I move that the senate do now adjourn."

No business beyond the introduction of bills and resolutions was transacted. Among the bills introduced was one by Senator Klye, of South Dakota, to change the immigration laws of the United States. He gave notice that at the proper time he would offer the bill as a substitute for that which is now

pending before the senate. In only one feature," said Senator Kyle, "does my bill differ materially from the measure now before the senate. My bill provides that all immigrants shall have their test of education made by the United States consuls at the points nearest to their homes. It is a serious hardship for these people to cross the ocean with the prospect staring them in the face of failing in the test at the port of a foreign coun-

At 2:15 p. m., the senate adjourned. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The house today after a session of about two hours, adjourned out of sympathy for the president, whose mother was buried at Canton this afternoon. The time of the session was devoted to the consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill.

Mr. Bingham, republican, of Pennsylvania, in charge of the measure, explained its provisions in detail. He said he would offer an amendment to reduce the clerical force in the pension office by 96 clerks, involving a reduction of \$115,000 in salaries. This reduction did not appear in the bill as reported and must be reckoned in the new totals.

Mr. Bingham said that he and his colleagues on the appropriations committe felt satisfied that a reduction of from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000 could be made in the salaries of subordinate officers by a process of weeding, without in any way impairing the government service, and, therefore, every suggestion from heads of departments for increase of salaries had been rejected. He called attention to the provision of the bill curtailing the sick leave allowed clerks which had been greatly abused. Investigation had shown that in addition to the regular thirty day leave, 16 per cent. of the clerks obtained each

year thirty day sick leaves. Mr. Bingham did not discuss the appropriations providing for the maintenance of the civil service commission, but stated that the widest latitude would be allowed for debate, even if it should run over the holiday recess. He asked, however, that the provisions of the bill relating to the civil service and the debate thereon should go over until after the consideration of the other features of the bill were con-

His request was agreed and an hour and a half was set aside for general debate on the rest of the bill.

cluded.

Mr. Barrett, republican, of Massachusetts, took the floor and made some general remarks in support of the civil service law in the course of which he referred to the slender minority against the civil service law when it was passed the house in 1883. The vote stood 155 to 47. But three of that minority he said, were now members of the house-Messrs. Bland, democrat, of Missouri; McMillan, democrat, of Tennessee, and Steele, republican, of Indiana. This statement flushed a series of explanations that gave the anticivil service members repeated opportunities to applaud. First Mr. Steele said he had never had occasion to apologize for that vote. Then Mr. Brumm, republican, of Pennsylvania called attention to the fact that his name as one of those who voted against the measure had been overlooked. He was proud, he said, to be included in the "roll of honor." Mr. Marsh, republican, of Illinois, also claimed a place in the list and added that he had never cast a vote with which he was better satisfied.

Then Messrs. Cannon, republican, of Illinois and Bingham reiterated their opposition to the broad extension of the law by executive orders. The latter explained that the law was passed under suspension of the rules, practically without debate and never contemplated an extension by executive orders that would cover 87,000 government emlaughter during this series of statements and Mr. Dockery, democrat, of Missouri, suggested that the members of the other side to save time, have leave to file apologies for voting for

Mr. Moody, republican, of Massachusetts, said he was willing to give a hearing on the civil service question and he did no propose to give a judgment in advance.

Mr. Grosvenor commended this statement. All he asked was that the house should honestly consider the question and give its careful judgment.

Mr. Dockery, democrat, of Illinois, discussed the amazing growth of the expenditures of the government during the recent years. The ordinary expenses of the government, exvlusive of the public debt in the last eight years exceed those of the preceding eight years by \$1,000,000,000 in round numbers. In view of this fact there were only two ways, he said, to bring the receipts and expenses together. Either taxation must be increased or the expenses must be curtailed. If the expenses were to be reduced congress alone could not accomplish much without the aid of the executive branch of the government. Despite the president's appeal in his message for economy, the executive branches of the government had submitted to congress estimates for appropriations of \$27,000,000 in excess of the appropriations for the cur-

At this point the committee rose and Mr. Grosvenor, republican, of Ohio, addressing the chair said:

funeral exercises of the mother of the chief magistrate of the nation are to take place at this hour and therefore, conforming to the action of the senate and as a token of our sympathy and respect for the president, I move that

the house do now adjourn.' The motion was unanimously carried and at 1:45 the house adjourned until tomorrow.

#### SWAPPING OFFICES

Superintendent Smith and Agricultural Commissioner Mewboorne Resign-Each is to Succeed the Other

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., December 14.-Great surprised is expressed here this evening at the news that James M. Mewboorne has resigned as commissioner of agriculture, to take effect December 31st, and that the board of agriculture has accepted his resignation. This was done at a late hour. It is the result of a deal by which he becomes superintendent of the penitentiary, vice John R. Smith, and the latter is elected to succeed him as agricultural commissioner. The reason given for this step is that Mewboorne is considered a far more able manager than Smith. The deal is made by Governor Russell. The penitentiary board will next week elect Mewboorne.

A populist state official was asked tonight to give the true inwardness of the swap of offices by Mewboorne and Smith and said:

"The governor was bent on getting rid of Smith as the pententiary superintendent and was on the point of having him dropped. He was greatly dissatisfied with his administration and his bad financial management. Smith, I am told, bought far more cotton bagging, for instance, than there was any need for and would buy a \$150 horse when a \$75 one would have served the purpose equally as well. Then, as I am told, Smith has fifty more employes than there is any need for. Mewboorne is a good farmer and manager, and will get rid of these surplus people. John R. Smith and his friends are placated by him being made agri- convict farms. They say Massachuculturel commissioner. He can hold that place all right. It will be no strain on him."

#### To Lay Corner Stone of Vance Mcnument | small county jail here, nearly all fed-

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., December 14.-Grand Master of Masons Walter E. Moore calls the grand lodge to meet at Asheville December 22nd to lay the corner stone of the monument to Zebulon B. Vance, in the court house square. Supreme court reverses the opinion in

case of Smith against Goldsboro.

#### Delegates to Fishery Congress (Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., December 14.-The governor appoints as delegates to the national fishery congress, which meets at Tampa, Fla., January 19th, W. R. Capehart, Geo. N. Ives and W. H. Smith.

#### THE FORT FISHER SLANDER

General Bragg's Letter Was First Publish ed in the Philadelphia Times in 1880. The Commander of Fisher to Answer it In Next Sunday's Messenger

The republication of General Bragg's slanderous letter reflecting upon the heroes who so gallantly defended Fort Fisher, has naturally stirred up the indignation of the survivors who stood in the breech against the overwhelming odds which Bragg allowed to sweep down upon them. The Messenger Sunday pubished some communications refuting the statements made by General Bragg, and next Sunday we will publish an article by Colonel William Lamb, who commanded Fort Fisher at its fall, and who is in the best position to refute the slander put upon him and the noble men who successfully held Fort Fisher up to within a few months of the surrender of Lee's army itself.

In response to a letter from the proprietors of The Messenger to Coionel Lamb, he writes us that Bragg's letter was first published in The Philadelphia Times in 1880, and in reply to our letter requesting him to give The Messenger an article on the matter, he writes us that he will send us a reply and says: "It is considered a full vindication of the chivalrous Whiting an my heroic garrison."

In this connection we publish with pleasure the following:

Wilmington, N. C., December 14.

Messrs. Jackson & Bell: Bragg about Fort Fisher: but I did not. hoping some old veteran, better able to write and more entitled to a hearing, would reply to the manifestiy false and grossly unjust statements that so basely reflected upon the brave defenders of the last gateway of the confederacy in their final struggle against overwhelming odds; and now, in the name of young men of our state and city. I wish to thank Mr. James A. Montgomery and the others who have, through your columns, so fully answered General Bragg's disgusting letter. Yours very truly, W. M. CUMMING.

#### The Old North State Forever

Our southern mail brought us the following from a North Carolinian and former Wilmingtonian:

Ocala, Fla., December 11.

Editors Messenger: Can you supply me with the words to the song "Carolina," or "The Old North We are to have a "possum and 'tater" supper on Friday, December 17th, and want to sing our state song, but I can find no copy here and our memories are treacherous. No doubt, you can obtain the words for us there, and if you will send them to me so as to reach us in time for that event we will appreciate it.

Yours truly, W. L. JEWETT,

Secretary N. C. Association. It is hardly necessary for us to say that The Messenger complied with pleasure with the request made above. The words to our stirring state song were promptly forwarded to her sons, who, though absent in Florida, will "cherish, "Mr. Speaker: As is well known, the "protect and defend her."

#### NO MORE FUSION

DECLARE THE RANK AND FILE OF THE POPULISTS

Members of Massachusetts Prison Beform Association Examining the Penitentiary and the State Farms-Heavy Criminal Docket of the Federal Court-The Grand Jury the Poorest Ever Seen-Fire Insurance Statistics for This State-Immense Profits of the Companies

Messenger Bureau.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 14. A legislative official was asked today the question: "What are the populists talking about?" He is a populist and ought to know. He replied: "Do not use my name and I will tell you. They are saying they don't want any more fusion with the republicans. That is the

milk in the cocoanut." State Librarian Cobb, of the populist committee, was asked why he made so absurd a statement as to say 60,000 populists would vote their tickets if there are no "side issues." He replied: "They will come up whenever needed, We will press the button and they will do the rest. We expect recruits from both the old parties." This is absurd, for there are not at this mo-

ment 20,000 populists in the state. The supreme court will at its next term pass upon the power of the railway commission to regulate the freight rate on cotton. This comes up in the shape of an appeal by the Seaboard Air Line from the recent order reducing rates.

The joint committee of the legislature this morning began the annual

examination of the state treasury. The Baptist convention, which ended its session yesterday, is pronounced the best one ever held in the state, in all respects. Next year it meets at

Greeneville. Joseph F. Scott, H. M. Blackstone and Fred. G. Pettigrove, all members of the Massachusetts Prison Reform Association, are here. They inspected the convict camps in Georgia and dislike the system in vogue there. The real power there is the physician at the camp. They visited the penitenti- exile for any reason, cause or act. In ary here and will have a look at the setts, owing to the clamor of the people against manufacturing by convicts, is beginning to try outdoor labor in a small way.

There are fifty-five prisoners in the eral prisoners or persons sent from other counties for safe-keeping. The jail is over crowded, and United States District Attorney Aycock says arrangements ought to be made for keeping the excess of prisoners in the peniten-

Before the supreme court this week, the most interesting case is that of Rhyne against Roberts, involving the constitutionality of the act of the last legislature, which confers civil jurisdiction upon a judge of the criminal circuit court. In this case the act gives tyman, Mr. Mosely, by making him Judge Ewart civil power.

here ended yesterday afternoon. There has fitted up a room upstairs in the were 110 criminal cases tried, and twenty-five persons were sent to jails, sev- there are some other things connected en to the pententiary at Columbus, O., and two to the reformatory at Washington. It is remarked by the court also stated that one of his men, an officers that the grand jury was the poorest ever seen here. It is said that one of its members had been indicted for moonshining. One juror admitted that it was the poorest jury he had ever seen, and that against some men ready to submit no true bill was found.

It is learned that Dr. Kirby H. Smith, about whom so great a scandal was raised at the pententiary, has returned from New York to Goldsbore, and says he is going south, presumably to Florida, where he lived ten years.

The Baptist state convention raised \$5,000 for the completion of the Baptist state female university here. This imposing building will certainly be completed next summer.

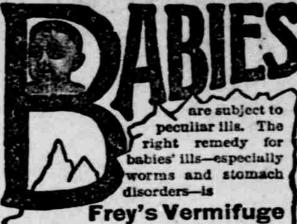
The shoe factory at the Farmers' State Alliance at Hillsboro regularly began work yesterday, after over two years idleness. The state commissioner of agricul-

ture says there are now 2,000,000 acres of waste land in the southeastern counties, which if in timber, would yield returns at the rate of obout \$500,-000 a year. The loss is due to lack of care in growing pine trees on these

At the meeting of the Raleigh chamber of commerce this evening, Robert C. Strong read a paper on fire insurance rates here, prepared at the request of the organization. He says the amount of fire losses paid here annually averages \$6,073, while \$40,000 is annually paid in premiums; that the As one of the younger generation, in- the entire state) on capital invested. cases. The South Carolina cases, Murterested in all that concerns the honor Last year \$35,000,000 was written and ray vs. Elliott, First district; Chatfield of the south and especially North Car- the premiums were \$787,500, while the vs. Talbot, Second dictrict, and Johnployees. There was much applause and olina, I felt like writing something when losses paid aggregated \$313,000, making ston vs. Stokes, Seventh, will be taken I read the letter written by General a gross profit of \$474,500. The cost of up for argument and submitted tosays many citizens here find the rates so high that they carry their own insurance. As a rule, the companies will not lend their money in this state. The money made by the companies in this state goes altogether outside of it, to be invested at a less rate of increst than would be paid for it here.

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Insurgents Dynamite a Train-Rumors of Suicide of General Garcia-Refugees Allowed to Return

Havana, December 14.-The insurgents dynamited the railroad between Canas and Dagame, province of Pinar del Rio, destroying the track and wrecking the engine of a freight train. A force of troops with a repairing gang was sent to found a dynamite bomb and arrested the men who caused the explosion. The line was repaired.

The insurgents attacked the landing place at Gibara, province of Santiago de Cuba, but were repulsed with loss, according to the official report. They are also said to have fired upon the town of Cupecillas, without result.

General Pando is still directing the operations of the gunboats in the river Cauto, province of Santiago de Cuba, but has been unable to arrive at the landing place, owing, it is officially stated, to an obstacle in the river. Reports received here from Manzanillo say it is reported that Calixto Garcia,

the insurgent leader, has committed suicide. The report is not believed here, even in official circles. Washington, December 14.-The following advices have been received by the Spanish legation in this city from Gener-

al Blanco, in Havana: To the Spanish Minister: "In addition to the cablegram of November 27th, I now add that your excellency can authorize consuls to issue passports for this island to all persons having emigrated who solicit them, without any exception save in cases of common crime; this applies to all political emigrants, both those who have emigrated voluntarily and those who consider themselves obliged to remain in them that in this island their personal safety, their families and their estates will be guarded with the efficacy with which the government today protects and aids those who obey the laws.'

Gross Mismanagement at State Farms (Correspondence of The Messenger.)

Weldon, N. C., Dec. 14. The penitentiary executive committee turned off Underwood and Captain Rheen and then put Dockery in a name less office at \$40 per month. Why did they do this? Is it because he is brother of the chairman?. Why do they retain Hughes: a man who, it is said, has made an overseer of a convict, and who has degraded our councarry water to the convicts and actual-The term of the United States court by pick cotton. It is said that Hughes supervisor's residence for his cook, and with this matter that the executive committee should investigate. It is Indian, whose term is ten years, goes

trapping every day. Some state papers, in sympathy with the present management, are condemning the democratic press for comments on the mismanagement. But this property belongs to the state and the peole have a right to know how it is managed. If the charges made in this correspondence are untrue, let them be apologize. It is certain that there is poor management now, and as to the boasted crops, the major part was raised by democratic supervisors. There are said to be 500 bales of cotton still in the fields and probably 100 bales on the ground or damaged by reason of the failure to save it in time, while under proper management, this would not have been the case.

If the penitentiary authorities had sent these convicts to save this crop instead of chasing will-'o-the-wisp contracts up and down the railroads, the state would be several thousand dollars ahead.

These are matters the the state are interested in.

#### To Hear Contests in the House

Washington, December 14.-The consideration of the various contested election cases before the house committee on elections No. 3 was deferred today until after the holidays. All the contestants from the Virginia and Southeastern Traffic Associations Tennessee districts were present today. claims Raleigh has a lower rate than Internal Revenue Collector Brady, of any place in the state, while the rate Virginia, and John A. Wise, of New at Greensboro is only half of that here. York, were among the counsel. After The companies claim they make only a long parley for time, the committee 7 per cent. in their business (taking set the time for hearing the various doing business was about \$145,475, gether on the law questions involved army, the attack on the American conleaving a profit of \$329,025. The report at the third regular meeting of the committee after the holiday recess.

#### Durrant's Former Pastor Warned of Dan-

San Francisco, Cal., December 14. The Examiner says: The police and the people of Emanuel Baptist church believe that the life of Rev. J. George Gibson, Durrant's former pastor, is in danger. The police have warned the reverned gentleman to protect himself against the possibility of harm. The warning has been heeded and Dr. Gibson is protected night and day. One of the members of his congregation has volunteered his services as a body guard and the police will detail an officer to attend every public service at Emanuel church. Since the murder in the church many attempts have been made to cast suspicion on the pastor and his refusal to be drawn into the case, even as Durrant's spiritual advisor, has caused much comment.

Ex Governor Evans Married Waterbury, Conn., December 15-Miss Emily Mansfield Plume, daughter of David S. Plume, was married tonight eo ex-Governor John Gary Evans, of Aiken, S. C. The wedding guests included members of the groom's family from Edgefield, S. C., and relatives and friends of the bridal couple from New York ,New Haven, Philadelphia and Houston, Texas.

#### THE FUNERAL SERVICES

HELD OVER THE REMAINS OF THE PRESIDENT'S MOT ER

Services for the Family Before Le ing the House - An Immense Crowd , ille the Church and the Streets Nearby-Several Thousands Pass Through the Church and View the Body-Short Service at the Grave-The Tribute of Flowers Profuse

Canton, Ohio, December 14 .- Aithough it rained almost incessantly all day, the crowd attending the funeral of Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley was numbered by thousands. The First Methodist Episcopal church, doubled in capacity by throwing open the Sunday school rooms and gallery, was filled to overflowing long before the beginning of the services. The great rostrum of the ehurch was a bank of flowers. After the simple ceremony thousands passed through the church, each stopping an instant at the altar to take a last look the scene of the outrage, where they at the remains. This procession was composed of 3,000 people who had gained admission to the church and thousands of others who stood outside in the rain waiting the time when they could get in one side door, pass the altar and go out at the other side. When this had continued an hour it was found necessary to close the side doors and remove the casket to the funeral car as it was feared that the interment would be delayed until after dark

During the services and until after the remains had been viewed, the family and close friends occupied the front pews of the central section of the church. With the president in the first pew was his sister, Miss Helen, and his brother, Abner, with their sister, Mrs. Duncan, of Cleveland. Immediately back of them was the aged sister of the departed, Mrs. Osborne, of Youngstown, surrounded by grand children and other near relatives. Back of these were members of the cabinet and the Washington visitors, and many other intimate friends of the family from

various points. As the casket containing the remains was tenderly placed in front of the chancel rail, the Aeolian quartette of David G. Worth, deceased, hereby notify these cases, your excellency can assure male voices chanted "Still, Still with all persons holding claims against said Thee," Rev. E. P. Herbruck, of Trinity Reformed church, whose pastorate in Canton is of the longest of the local clergy, offered a fervent prayer. This was followed by the reading of the hymn "Jesus, Lover of my Soul" by Rev. Mr. Milligan, of the First Presbyterian church and the singing of the same by the quartette.

Rev. Dr. Hall, of Trinity Luthern church, read a scriptural lesson from First Corinth ans, part of the 13th chapter. Former Mayor R. A. Cassidy then read the memorial adopted by the board of officers of the church, of which Mrs. McKinley had so long been a member and the quartette sang, "Lead Kindly Light."

Rev. Dr. Manchester, who was a comrade in arms of the president during the war as a member of the famous Twenty-third Ohio volunteer infantry, and who has been the pastor of the First M. E. church for several years, delivered a short oration, in which he dwelt upon the charcter of the beloved departed and spoke of her as she was known by the neighbors and friends in Canton.

After singing "Nearer, My God to

Thee," benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. McAfee, of Columbus, pastor of the Broad Street Methodist church, of Columbus, which the president at tended while he was governor of Ohio. This service was preceded by brief private services at the house, attended by the immediate family and the Washington guests. The house services consisted of a prayer by the Rev. shown to be so, and I will gladly Mr. Manchester and the reading of the Twenty-third Psalm by the Rev. Dr. McAfee.

> wealth of flowers sent by the people of the nation and with the rich drapery of mourning with which it had been arranged by the officers of the church. The exercises at the grave were simple. The casket was lowered into the

The church was beautiful with the

grave by the pallbearers and the simple liturgy service of the Methodist Episcopal church was read responsively by Presiding Elder E. D. Holtz, of this district and Rev. E. C. Manchester, Rev. McAfee, of Columbus, pronouncing a benediction. This evening the cabinet officers and other distinguished officials except the

McKinley family dined at the home of Mrs. George D. Harter. The president and the immediate family remained at the old homestead until train time. The special train on which the Washington party came this morning, left at 8:30 o'clock this evening, the president's car "Newport," being attached.

Weyler's Audienne With the Queen Madrid, December 15 .- The queen regent today received General Weyler, the former captain general of Cuba. The audience lasted an hour and three quarters.

An official note was issued tonight describing as "inventions and exaggerations intended to mislead the people" between Spain and the United States, the supposed effect of President Mc-Kinley's message, the agitation in the sulate in Havana, and the report that filibusters sunk the floating dock there. It urges the people to distrust the foreign press and to rely on "news directly eminating from Madrid and Havana."

It is reported that John Kilpatrick, of Madison county, was fatally shot recently by William Pressley. Pressley

#### A Fatal Row at a Party

Atlanta, Ga., December 15 .- At a party given at the residence of W. H. Califf, near Jeffersonville, Twiggs county, last night, a dispute arose between two young men who were drinking. Three men were killed and two women fatally injured. The dead are: Luther Califf. Clarence Jones and "Short" Griffin. The injured are: Mrs. W. H. Califf, (will die); Mary Petty, (will die).



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